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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In the application of

Roderic P. Quirk, et al.

Serial No. 10/782,432

Filed February 18, 2004

For SYNTHETIC POLYMERS WITH
HIGHLY-FUNCTIONALIZED
LIQUID-RUBBER CHAIN END
MOIETIES

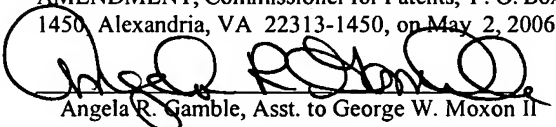
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Enclosed are the following documents:

Response to Office Action

Copy of Office Action Dated April 7, 2006

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Respectfully submitted



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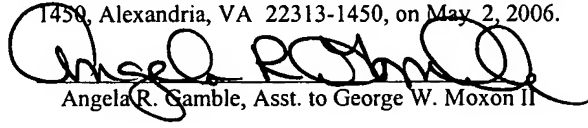
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RESPONSE

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Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated April 7, 2006, the Applicants, through their attorney, respond as follows.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 2 of this document.